

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant	:	Kiyoshi Hoshino et al.	
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Title	:	ACTUATOR USING FLUID CYLINDER, METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE ACTUATOR, AND CHOKE VALVE DEVICES	
Docket No.	:	NIS-16643	
Customer No.	:	040854	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT "A"

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
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Sir/Madam:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.